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Nicholas County Marching Band car show fundraiser held at Jockey Park

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The Nicholas County Marching Band held a car show fundraiser at Jockey Park in Carlisle, Ky., on Saturday, Sept. 5, 2026, from 4:00 to 8:00pm.

A host of classic cars and trucks were on display, along with a silent auction, music, food, and fun for all!!!



Bluejackets go 4-0 following their 28-14 win over the Iroquois Raiders

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The Nicholas County High School Bluejackets, under Head Coach Simon Clouse, traveled to Louisville, Ky., on Friday, Sept. 11, 2026, to take on the Iroquois Raiders. The Jackets would come away with their 4th win in a row, defeating the Raiders, 28-14.

The Jackets completely dominated the Raiders in both passing and rushing yards, with a total of 110

passing yards and 320 rushing yards, compared to the Raiders 77 passing yards and 58 rushing yards.

BlueJackets QB Ty Simons completed 8 passes from 12 attempts for a total of 110 yards, which include 1 TD and 1 interception. Leading the Jackets in receiving was Tanner Morgan with 4 receptions for 62 yards, including 1 TD; and Bentley

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Chamber of Commerce approves “A Pioneer Christmas” as 2026 Christmas Parade theme

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Members of the Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce met on Monday, Sept. 14, 2026, at 8:30am, at the Neal Welcome Center, for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting.

The meeting was called to order with an introduction of the attendees, and subsequent approvals to table the minutes from the August meeting

and the financial report as well, to next month's meeting.

Under New Business, the chamber discussed the recent cancellation of the political candidate forums and said that a letter would be submitted to the Carlisle Mercury to further explain the decision to ultimately cancel the forums.

The chamber discussed

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City Council addresses Annexation, Water/Gas Leaks, and Upcoming City Events

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Members of the Carlisle City Council, along with Mayor Ronnie Clark and City Attorney Henry

“Skip” Watson, met on Monday, Sept. 14, 2026, at 7:00pm, at City Hall, for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting, which was broadcast live on the Carlisle Mercury Facebook page.

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order with a moment of silence, and roll call with all magistrates present sans one.

Under New Business, the council approved the minutes from the August council meeting, approval of the September bills, and approval of the payroll transfers.

Under Old Business, the council approved to table the 2nd reading of

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Saturday in Carlisle set for Sept. 26, 2026

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It's that time of year again, for the annual Saturday in Carlisle event, held all day in downtown Carlisle, Ky., on Saturday, Sept. 26, 2026, presented by the Carlisle Rotary Club.

The Rotary Club says this year's event is “bigger and better” with special events scheduled throughout the whole day, which includes a Scarecrow Shuffle 5K run, Farmer's Market, bake-off contest, cake walks sched-

uled every hour, kid's tractor pull, a cornhole tournament, baby show, dog show and wiener dog race, petting zoo, tractor cruise-in, music in the courthouse yard, antique and classic car cruise-in, and so, so, so much more.

Not to mention the numerous vendors set up throughout downtown Carlisle, and the delicious food vendors along Main Street, selling funnel cakes, ice cream, baked goods, ribeye steaks,

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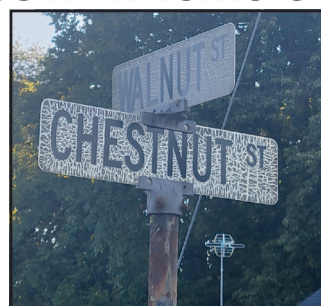
Nicholas County juvenile seriously injured after bicycle collides with vehicle

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A Nicholas County juvenile was seriously injured on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 13, 2026, after the bicycle he was riding collided with a vehicle at the intersection of Walnut and Chestnut Street, near the back of the Nicholas County Judicial Center, in Carlisle, Ky.

The juvenile was transported to Bourbon County Community Hospital

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